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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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INFO USMISSION GENEVA

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

USLO PEKING

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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C O N F I D E N T I A L OTTAWA 3716

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: INTELSAT, ETEL, PORG, TW, CH, CA

SUBJ: INTELSAT - CHIREP/TAIWAN ACCESS

REF: (A) STATE 228268; (B) O'NEILL/LEARY TELCON,
SEPT 14

1. ON SEPTEMBER 15 ECON COUNSELOR REVIEWED CONTENTS
REFTEL A WITH LABERGE, EXTAFF. (ALMOST SAME GROUND
HAD BEEN COVERED WITH LABERGE PRIOR RECEIPT DEPARTMENT'S
INSTRUCTIONS IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS FROM LABERGE --
WHO HAD HEARD ABOUT ROC WITHDRAWAL NOTICE FROM
TELEGLOBE SOURCE -- AND ON BASIS REF B TELCON.)
LABERGE SAID CANADA HAD NO DESIRE TO DISCUSS REPRESENTATION
ISSUE AT NAIROBI AND HE EXPRESSED RELIEF THAT
DEVELOPMENTS MAY ELIMINATE NEED FOR SUCH DISCUSSION.
LABERGE CONFIRMED THAT CANADA ATTACHES GREAT
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IMPORTANCE TO TAIWAN'S CONTINUED COMMERCIAL ACCESS TO

INTELSAT SYSTEM. HE WOULD NOT COMMENT CATEGORICALLY ON HOW "ACTIVELY" GOC WOULD WORK TO RETAIN TAIWAN'S ACCESS BUT RECALLED THAT PRC REPS IN OTTAWA HAD INDICATED TO GOC SEVERAL WEEKS AGO THAT PRC WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO CONTINUATION OF COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

2. COMMENT: GOC OBVIOUSLY WOULD PREFER THAT CONTINUED ACCESS BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT CONTROVERSY. IF PRC -- CONTRARY TO EXPECTATIONS -- SHOULD TAKE A STRONG STAND AGAINST CONTINUED ACCESS, GOC WOULD FACE DIFFICULT DECISION INVOLVING CONFLICTING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INTERESTS.
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